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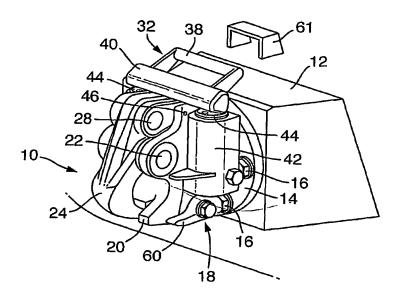
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(54) Title: TOWING PINTLE ASSEMBLY

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(57) Abstract: A towing pintle assembly comprises a main body portion attached by a flange to the vehicle body. A hook is pivotally coupled at its mid region to the main body by a pivot. To the upper end of the hook is pivotally connected a locking lever. The locking lever may be swung between a locking position in which locking surfaces thereon abut an abutment to prevent opening of the hook and a free position in which the hook may open. The locking lever may be moved to the free position either manually, or remotely by fluid-operated pistons. A frangible sheer pin holds the locking lever in the locking position.



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